

Riebie Chatter



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

BULLIES

Our school does everything in our power to create a safe environment for our learners.

It is a fact that there are always children who are regarded as “bullies”. The reality is that these children have always been a part of schools and always will be.

It happens so quickly that a remark is made that a child is a “bully”. We regularly create awareness amongst learners at the school, that they must report incidents taking place to the teachers and must always keep the following in mind:

*When someone says or does something that is not nice...
That is Ugly.*

*When someone purposely says or does something that is not nice...
That is Nasty.*

*When someone repeatedly, purposely, says or does something that is not nice,
even when you ask them to stop...
That is Bullying.*

It is not easy for any parent to acknowledge that their child is a bully. As parent you will also not want your child to remain a bully, because that can result in the problem leading to criminal behaviour in future.

It is therefore important to continually monitor your child for any signs of bully behaviour.

Signs exhibit by your child, to pay attention to:

- He/She has friends who bullies other children;
- He/She is regularly sent to the Principal's office or regularly sits detention for bullying or fighting;
- He/She blames other people or children for his/her problem;
- He/She is very competitive;
- He/She is often involved in physical and verbal fights and incidents;
- He/She quickly gets angry or aggressive; and
- He/She takes no responsibility for his/her actions – makes excuses.

How do I handle my child if I expect that he/she is bullying other children?

- When your child is regarded as a bully, it is your duty as parents to make him/her aware that it is totally unacceptable;
- A bully-child must under no circumstances be rejected, they must be treated with affection;
- Make use of positive discipline, there is a clear difference between disciplining and abuse;
- Use processes and reversion. If your child has taken another child's possessions, he/she must account for it, by paying for it or giving it back;
- Do not hesitate to ask for assistance of professionals. The school has a skilled Therapist. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Ansa Mulder at the school for more details.

RESPECT

~ Respect is not cheap !!!!

*It is not related to titles, or the position you hold,
and can never be forced or bought with money !!!*

*It is a precious, expensive, attitude that can only be given and deserved,
Because respect comes from the heart !!!! ~*

RUMORS OF A THIRD WAVE COVID-19

It will naturally cause concern amongst parents when a school reports positive Corona virus cases.

We have been living with this "nasty" virus for more than a year and have already learnt so much, but there will always be uncertainty...

Self-discipline is key:

- Do not socialize in large groups unnecessarily, maintain social distancing;
- Wear a mask and teach your children to wear a mask;
- Sanitize hands regularly; and
- If you are not feeling well, make an appointment with your Medical Practitioner.

We are making an urgent appeal to our parent community to only share information that is factual, and not to get involved in speculative rumours and/or opinions with regards to positive cases. The school has, in conjunction with the Governing Body, decided to only react to positive results confirmed in a laboratory.

As parent community, you should know that the Riebies take every possible precaution and do not want to put anyone's life in jeopardy. In case of any confirmed positive COVID-19 cases at the school, the Department of Health, the Department of Education, and the parent community are immediately informed.

The school experienced a positive first term, directly due to the fact that our parent community, learners, and staff, are having each other's interest at heart. Let us continue to do so.

What is currently happening at schools, and also at our school, where staff and/or learners are tested positive, should be a timely warning to all. I am making an appeal to each and every one to apply COVID-19 protocol at all times. Masks, social distancing, and sanitizing inevitably became a part of our lifestyle and we should continue to properly educate our children in this regard.

*"I am starting to think this world is just a place
for us to learn that we need each other more than we want to admit."
~ Richelle E. Goodrich ~*

CONTACT SPORTS: TEMPORARY DISCONTINUATION OF MATCHES

It is with great disappointment that all schools are compelled to discontinue ALL MATCHES for contact sport as a preventative measure, with immediate effect. This decision was taken by Sport Federations, (with medical advice taken into consideration), as well as the regulations of the Health Department, and also through careful consideration by the School Management and Governing Body.

There is a sharp increase in the area, if we look at the number of sports children and coaches who tested positive for COVID-19. Schools increasingly withdraw from match days, for both rugby and netball. Visits from other schools, and even attending matches at other schools, are also increasingly becoming more and more of a challenge.

The school is doing everything in our power and gets compliments from all over for the way in which we handle the challenges posed by the virus. The reality is that the Health Department can close any school due to the number of positive COVID-19 cases. The decision to discontinue rugby- and netball matches is a temporary preventative measure, to prevent us from subjecting the whole school to a possible closure.

The school will however go ahead with controlled practice within our "bubble". As soon as the situation has improved, we will continue with matches as planned.

The safety of learners, staff, and you as parents, is very important to us. We appreciate everyone's support and cooperation.

GOLF DAY: 28 MAY 2021

The annual Riebie Golf Day will take place at the Modderfontein Golf Course on Friday, 28 May 2021. This Golf Day became a tradition over the years and is ONE fundraiser that should not be missed!

We worked very hard over the years. The Golf Day grows every year, and it is all thanks to you – our parent community.

In the few weeks ahead, before 28 May 2021, we have lots to do and we need your assistance. Teamwork makes the dream work!

How can you help?

The school needs one teacher per grade, and one or two parents per grade, for the Planning Committee. This team will help with the planning of the Golf Day, decoration of the holes, and the activities during the Golf Day. The team must draw up a roster, indicating the time which each parent will work, to avoid one or two parents having to be on the course alone the whole day.

The grade teacher and parents will meet in their respective grade order, with the parents of the other grades, to finalize holes and games.

The school needs prizes and sponsors in various formats. Items such as wine, bottled water, energy drinks (e.g. Energade or similar), sport bags, holidays, gift vouchers, etcetera, will be highly appreciated.

Please send details of your sponsorship [what you require (sponsorship/four-ball), total amount, full particulars for invoice and booking purposes] to golf@riebie.co.za. Please indicate clearly: Riebies Golf Day 2021. You can also visit our website for more information and costs, and online bookings can also be done at www.riebie.co.za.

Together we plan the new TOMORROW!

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are very proud of our Riebie school uniform and our learners always look neat. Thank you to each parent who positively supports us in this regard.

The school currently has three approved suppliers, who offer quality school wear for the learners:

1. Boundary Silk Basaar;
2. School & Leisure; and
3. Sapphire Corporate Solutions, who is the school's latest supplier of school uniform, and is still in the process of finalizing supply processes for the school uniform.

We are requesting parents not to purchase school clothes from any other institutions or individuals. Quality, colour, and cut/design cannot be guaranteed.

Greetings until next week...

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SPORT

CHESS

The Kempton Park chess league for U/9, U/11 and U/13 teams will take place at Marcelle on Saturday, 22 May 2021 at 09:00.

The Kempton Park chess league for the girls' team will take place at Marcelle on 29 May 2021 at 12:00.

All information will be communicated to parents as soon as the school receives it.

RUGBY

Please note: No matches until further notice.

RUGBY PRACTICE FOR U/9 – U/13

MONDAYS	U/9	13:40 – 14:30
	U/10	14:15 – 15:00
	U/11, U/12 & U/13	15:00 – 15:45
TUESDAYS	U/11, U/12 & U/13	14:15 – 15:00
	U/9 & U/10	15:00 – 15:45
WEDNESDAYS	U/9	13:40 – 14:30
	U/10	14:15 – 15:00
	U/11, U/12 & U/13	15:00 – 15:45
THURSDAYS	U/11, U/12 & U/13	14:15 – 15:00
	U/9 & U/10	15:00 – 15:45

RUGBY PRACTICE FOR U/7 & U/8

U/7

MONDAYS	13:30 – 14:15
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U/8

WEDNESDAYS	13:30 – 14:15
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NETBALL

Please note: No matches until further notice.

NETBALL PRACTICE FOR U/10 – U/13

17, 18, 19 & 20 May 2021

TIME	TRACK 1	TRACK 2	TRACK 3	TRACK 4
14:15 – 15:00	U/12 A & B	U/11 A & B	U/10 A & B	U/9 A & B
15:00 – 15:45	U/13 A & B	U/13 C	U/ 11C & U/12 C	U/9 C & U/10 C

MINI NETBALL

Learners who were selected for the U/7 and U/8 Mini-Netball team already received letters, and practice times for this group is as follows:

Mondays and Wednesdays

U/8 : 13:30 – 14:15

Tuesdays and Thursdays

U/7 : 13:30 – 14:15

Learners who have not received letters, or are not in a team, are still welcome to attend skills development practice as follows:

Tuesdays

O/7 and O/8 : 13:30 – 14:15

TENNIS

Practice is from 06:00 – 07:00 for Grade 4 – Grade 7 learners on 18 May 2021 and on 20 May 2021. Learners may wear PT-clothes. Remember your water bottle and tennis racket. **NO learner will be allowed on the course without sneakers.**

Practice for Grade 1 – Grade 3 learners will only take place after the conclusion of the netball season. Dates and times will be communicated in due course.

"There is no way around the hard work. Embrace it.

~ Roger Federer ~



GENERAL

RIEBIE RAKKERS AFTER-SCHOOL CENTRE

Contact Numbers:

- Junior After-School Centre : 076 515 5497
- Senior After-School Centre : 082 265 4909

For any enquiries or complaints, please feel free to email Mrs. T. Abrahams at teresa@riebie.co.za

MENU FOR THE WEEK: 17 – 21 MAY 2021

MONDAY	CHICKEN A'LA KING	SANDWICH & JUICE
TUESDAY	MACARONI & CHEESE	FRUIT & JUICE
WEDNESDAY	CURRY & RICE	SANDWICH & JUICE
THURSDAY	HOT DOGS	MUFFIN / FRUIT & JUICE
FRIDAY	PIZZA	CHIPS / SANDWICH / JUICE

*** The menu is subject to change ***